Welcome to the Tyger River Blueway

The Tyger River Blueway is a 150-mile stretch of the Tyger River from I-85 to U.S. 29 south of Spartanburg, South Carolina. This waterway is ideal for kayaking and canoeing, with beginners and experts alike finding great opportunities. The Tyger River provides a scenic and safe area for paddlers, and with the exception of some sections, it's an easy watershed for both skilled and novice paddlers. The diverse plant life even includes the rare plant species Rhododendron easmanii (Santee azalea).

Caution! This large dam poses significant hazards to paddlers. Avoid the dam entirely. Portage. This is not available.

Suggested Trips

1. Enoree River Dam. Portage. This is not available.
2. South Tyger River Mile 16 | Ideal Conditions: 170-1000 cfs | Straightforward rapids with wide, clear channels. Some prior paddling experience is suggested.
3. North Tyger River Mile 20 | Ideal Conditions: 170-1000 cfs | Easy, floating on the flat water.
4. Middle Tyger River Mile 28 | Ideal Conditions: 170-1000 cfs | Moderate rapids that can be negotiated, and Portage is not necessary, unless a large debris field is present.
5. South Tyger River Mile 38 | Ideal Conditions: 170-1000 cfs | Intense, powerful, or extremely long rapids. Extensive experience is essential.
